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REMINDER

Lysterfield Primary School is a Sunsmart school and wide brim or legionnaire hats must be worn in Terms 4 and 1.

CHEQUE PRESENTATION AT CHOCO-BEAN CAFÉ

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CAMP AUSTRALIA

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**ACTING ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL’S REPORT**

**Big Shoes to fill!**
As you are likely to be aware, Rachel Hastings is continuing to have serious issues with her postoperative knee reconstruction and will be resting it until the end of the year. Our esteemed colleague and Assistant Principal Geoff Issell has stepped forward to ensure that class SH continue to have a consistent and quality education over the remainder of the school year. Geoff has been keen to maintain a link to the classroom environment and SH students will benefit enormously.

With Geoff’s short term return to the classroom, I have moved into the role of Acting Assistant Principal. I look forward to learning from the experience and bringing this back to my role upon Geoff’s return. We wish Rachel a speedy recovery.

**And the winner is….Lysterfield Primary School!**
Lysterfield Primary School wish to thank the enormous efforts of Tracy Vegh, School Council Member and mother of students Ryan and Nathan. As you would be aware, we have had an ongoing problem with graffiti and vandalism at Lysterfield, with holiday periods inevitably resulting in damage to school property at a cost of thousands of dollars. Tracy took the initiative to enter our school in the Piazza Doro Espresso ‘Local Love’ campaign and incredibly, we won $10,000! This will fund the installation of new security cameras to deter, and if necessary, catch vandals in the act.

Last Thursday Tracy, Ryan and Nathan were accompanied by our school captains Isabella, Joshua, Jessica and Jackson and myself at the Rowville Lakes Choco-Bean Café to receive the cheque. Many photos were taken and the story has been reported widely in the Leader Newspaper. Lysterfield Primary was one of just 5 winners nationally and we celebrated the win with free milkshakes, coffee (for the adults!) and hot chocolate for all. You can drop by to see the photos of the ceremony on the wall of the coffee shop.

Lysterfield Primary School is incredibly lucky to have such an active and committed school and wider community. We thank Piazza Doro for their amazing generosity and the Rowville Lakes Choco-Bean Café for hosting the ceremony – we encourage you to support both businesses who have given back to the community. Once again, thank you to Tracy, whose initiative and hard work have contributed to securing our school and resources.
**Hooptime Regional Finals**

On Monday our two future stars basketball teams, the Lysterfield Lakers and Lysterfield Lightning, represented us at the Hooptime Regional Finals. Both teams started off the day slowly but we are pleased to report that Lysterfield Lightning went on to win a game, whilst the Lakers rallied and won three consecutive games to sneak into the finals! After leading into half time, the Lakers just couldn’t stop the Emerald team as they scored 5 consecutive points to put them 3 points in front going into the final seconds. A final effort to push the game to overtime was unsuccessful and Emerald went on to win the game 10–5. A big thank you to Jeremy Nelson for his continued support of this program and to all the parents for helping throughout the day with scoring, cheering and coffee! A special thank you needs to go out to Matthew Innes for coaching the Lysterfield Lightning.

**Foundation Feedback Session**

Straight after assembly on Monday 19 October we will be holding a feedback session for the parents/caregivers of our current Foundation students in the staffroom. We would love to hear your feedback in regards to the programs and processes we run in the Foundation area, and look forward to responding to any questions you may have. We hope to see you there.

**Year 6 Graduation**

For those parents with children in Year 6, the time is almost here for your children to Graduate from Primary School and move onto the next phase of their lives – Secondary School! Preparation for the graduation is beginning on Monday 19th October and we would love your help to make this a memorable night for your children! Keep an eye out for the flyer making its way to you very soon.

**Curriculum Corner**

There is always something exciting happening in our classrooms and Term 4 is no different. Here is just a taste of what we are inquiring about this term!

**Foundation- Why are ‘minibeasts’ special?**

Why are minibeasts so special you may ask? Our Foundation students will be able to tell you by the end of Term 4! Students will be investigating what a minibeast is, their specific features, where they live, along with looking closely at the similarities and differences between them.

**Junior School - What lives on a farm?**

In Term 4 our Junior School students will be exploring living things. This will include how living things rely on their environment to survive, their features and lifecycles, along with how they change according to their surroundings. Students will delve into how humans can conserve, change or create environments for both animals and plants, through exploring what a farm is, what types of animal and plants live there and why we have them.

**Middle School - What has shaped Australia’s history?**

Students will be looking at our Indigenous history and its culture, the impact of European settlement on Australia and generally how individuals have made decisions that can have an impact on both our lives today and in the future.

**Senior School - What’s the relationship between Earth and Space?**

Students will be researching questions around space exploration, the makeup of the universe, the role of technology as well as the solar system and outlying galaxies. May the force be with you!

> ‘Look up at the stars and not down at your feet. Try to make sense of what you see, and wonder about what makes the universe exist. Be curious.’ - Stephen Hawking

Have a great week everyone!

*Tracy Wright*
Families and friends of LPS,

As you may be aware, towards the end of Term 3, some of our Grade 3s had the privilege of attending a lantern-making workshop as part of the preparations for the Stringy Bark Festival’s 30th anniversary.

The Stringy Bark Festival is on this Saturday the 17th of October, with the lantern parade running from 5.30-9.00pm (details are within newsletter).

The students were given free reign to get creative with recyclable materials; things such as empty bottles and boxes, icy pole sticks and straws. The result of the workshop was a great range of lanterns of all shapes and sizes. There were dinosaurs, jellyfish, butterflies and dragons - to name just a few.

Everyone who attended had a great time and we were all very thankful to have the opportunity to unleash our creativity upon the world!

Hopefully we’ll see some of these beautiful pieces, and their builders, being displayed as part of the parade.

Sean Zachariah
Graduation 2015

Dear Parents/Guardians of Year 6 students,

The time is almost here for your children to Graduate from Primary School and move onto the next phase of their lives – Secondary School!

For the Graduation to be a memorable night for your children, we need a group of willing helpers to form a committee to plan the Graduation.

If you are able to join this committee there will be a meeting to start preparations for Graduation, after assembly on Monday 19th October in the staffroom.

It would be fantastic if as many people could help – ‘many hands make light work’.

If you are able to assist with this could you please email:
Jeremy at nelson.jeremy.d@edumail.vic.gov.au or
Geoff at issell.geoff.gd@edumail.vic.gov.au

Thank-you
Stringy Bark Presentation Lysterfield PS

The Sustainability team are presenting at the Stringy Bark Festival on Saturday 17th October on the KEAP stage at 2.45pm. Ours is the only primary school presenting on that stage. The presentation will last 15 mins and is based on our mobile phone recycling campaign to help save the gorillas in Africa. Amy L., Tim Y., Amelie M., Ashleigh K, Dries D., Charlotte M. and Kaitlyn L. have worked closely with myself and Stephanie to write and practice the presentation. Amy L. wrote the introductory speech. Ashleigh, Kaitlyn and Dries wrote Raps. Dries and Charlotte each made a power point presentation which will be played on the screen at the back of the stage. All the children will be involved in performing the Raps and acting in a short drama piece to highlight the importance of recycling mobile phones and helping the Zoo to fight the extinction of gorillas in Africa. Thanks go to Michelle Sayers for helping with the drama piece.

Come along and support our students

Deirdre Loveless (Sustainability Coordinator)
CANTEEN

Welcome back to Term 4. Did you know it’s only 79 days till Christmas!!

**Term 4 Specials:** Hot Dogs $3.00 & Hot Dogs with Cheese $3.50

Sunny boys are now available: Razz Raspberry and Pine Lime $140 each

As usual we are asking for your help in the Canteen, just 2 hours on a Friday 11.30am—1.30pm is all we need to keep our Canteen running smoothly and on time.

Please fill out the form below and return to the office or just email your details or even better still drop in to the canteen and say hi.

Enjoy your lunch

*Carolyn and Gayle*

P.S We also need 2 helpers for our “Special Lunch Days”:

Spring Chicken Lunch- Wednesday 21 October – Students in Foundation to Year 4 only

- Regular menu only available to Senior School on this day

Wednesday 28 October—Senior School only

- Regular menu only available for Foundation-Year 2 Students on this day

(Years 3 & 4 on camp)

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**CANTEEN HELPER TERM 4 2015**

Yes, I am able to help in the canteen on:

(Please Circle preferred date/s)

Friday 23 October Friday 30 October

Friday 6 November Friday 13 November Friday 20 November Friday 27 November

**Special Lunch days:** Wednesday 21 October Wednesday 28 October

Name..................................................................................................................................................Phone............................................................................................

Oldest Child........................................................................................................................................Grade.............................................................................................
NEW PROGRAM HOURS
Great news for the early risers! As of Monday 12 October 2015 our Before School Care Program will be starting at 7.00am.
Our operating hours are: **Before School Care 7.00am-9.00am**
  * After School Care 3.30pm-6.00pm
  * Last Day of Term 1, 2 and 3 Operating hours 2.30pm-6.00pm
  * Last Day Term 4 operating hours: 1.30pm-6.00pm

SUNSMART
A reminder to all families that we are a “Sunsmart” program and children are expected to wear wide brimmed or legionnaire style hats in Term4. No hat, no outdoor play.
Have a great week.
*Chris and Jenny*

O.S.H.C. CO-ORDINATOR - CHRISTINE
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**Normal Trading Hours**
Mon-Thurs. 8.30am to 5.00pm,
  * Fri 8.30 to 4.30pm,
  * Sat 10.00am to 1.00pm

Please note, due to increasing bank fees, all EFTPOS payments made at Klad Sport must be over $20.00.